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Letter dated 30 August 2016 from the Permanent Representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you the communiqué of the Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America — Peoples' Trade Agreement of 29 August 2016, through which countries in the Alliance express their solidarity with the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela against the call issued by anti-democratic national and international actors to overthrow its legitimate and constitutional Government.

In this connection, on behalf of the Government of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, I request that you circulate this letter and its annex as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 85 and 119.

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Annex to the letter dated 30 August 2016 from the Permanent Representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Communiqué of the Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America — Peoples' Trade Agreement denouncing attempts to destabilize the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

The countries of the Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America — Peoples' Trade Agreement (ALBA-TCP) express their solidarity with the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela against the call issued by anti-democratic national and international actors on 1 September 2016 to overthrow its legitimate and constitutional Government.

ALBA-TCP is concerned at the threats to the democratic system, as they imperil political stability and peace in the fraternal Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and could, in turn, affect the stability of the region.

The oligarchies inside the country, working together with international actors, are trying to reproduce the regrettable events of 11 April 2002, when they incited a coup that led to violence and to the deaths of innocent citizens. Their aim is to ignore the will of the Venezuelan people, which elected President Nicolás Maduro as the successor to the eternal Commander Hugo Chávez Frías in 2013 by popular vote.

ALBA-TCP wishes to alert the international community to the strategy of destabilization by coup that is currently being pursued in Venezuela, as part of a plan against the region's progressive, popular and leftist Governments that seeks to sweep aside their systems for the protection of human rights and the process of regional integration and unity.

Caracas, 29 August 2016